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Docket: 14262

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

First Named Inventor:	John L. Dennis	
Appln. No.:	10/044,353	
Filed:	January 10, 2002	Group Art Unit: J. Pascua
Title:	Pouch with Frangible Piercing Point	Examiner: 3727

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUING EXAMINATION (RCE)**

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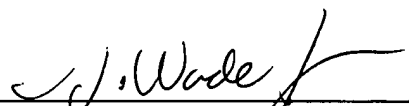
The following documents are enclosed in connection with the above-referenced patent application:

1. Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") Under 37 CFR § 1.114 (1 page);
2. Fee Transmittal Sheet;
3. Amendment;
4. Marked-up Drawing Sheet;
5. Replacement Drawing Sheet;
6. Check No. 983114 for \$385.00 for RCE filing fee; and
7. Return Receipt Postcard.

Respectfully submitted,

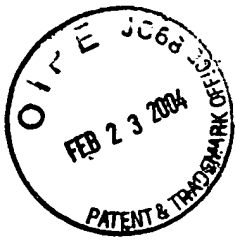
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Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified patent application.

Submission Required Under 37 CFR § 1.114

The following submission is enclosed:

- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

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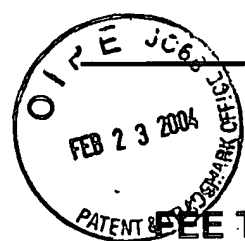
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**APPLICATION  
FEE TRANSMITTAL SHEET  
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**Complete if Known**

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**METHOD OF PAYMENT (Check One)**

1. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any over payments to:  
Deposit Account No.: 04-1420  
Deposit Account Name: DORSEY & WHITNEY LLP
- ☒ Charge any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17  
☒ Applicant claims small entity status (see 37 C.F.R. 1.27)
2. ☒ Check Enclosed

**FEE CALCULATION**

**1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity Fee	Small Entity Fee	Fee Description
160	80	<input type="checkbox"/> Provisional Filing Fee
770	385	<input type="checkbox"/> Utility Filing Fee
340	170	<input type="checkbox"/> Design Filing Fee
770	385	<input type="checkbox"/> Reissue Filing Fee

**Subtotal (1)**

**2. EXTRA\* CLAIM FEES**

	Number Claims	Prior	Extra	Fee from Below*	Fee Paid
Total	-	20	=	x	=
Indep.	-	3	=	x	=
Multiple Dependent Claims			=	x	=

**Subtotal (2)**

**\*Calculation of Extra Claim Fees**

Large Entity Fee	Small Entity Fee	Fee Description
18	9	Claims in excess of 20
86	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
290	145	Multiple dependent Claim
86	43	Reissue independent claims over original patent
18	9	Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

**FEE CALCULATION (Continued)**

**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Entity Fee	Small Entity Fee	Fee Description	Fee paid
50	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
130	65	Surcharge - Late nonprovisional filing fee or oath	
180	180	Submission of IDS	
40	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
110	55	Extension for reply within first month	
420	210	Extension for reply within second month	
950	475	Extension for reply within third month	
1,480	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
2,010	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
770	385	Submission After Final 1.129	
330	165	Notice of Appeal	
330	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
290	145	Request for oral hearing	
110	55	Terminal Disclaimer Fee	
130	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
50	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
1,330	665	Utility/Reissue Issue Fee (including advance copies)	
480	240	Design Issue Fee (inc. advance copies)	
770	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	\$385
300	300	Publication fee for early, voluntary, or normal publication	
300	300	Publication fee for re-publication	
110	55	Petition to Revive - unavoidable	
1,330	665	Petition to Revive - unintentional	

OTHER FEE (specify)

**Subtotal (3)**

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